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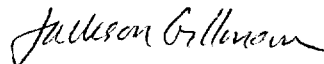
To whom it should concern:

If you want to eat irradiated food, that is fine. Do not however take away the ability of others to make our own decisions regarding the food we eat. To even consider discontinuing the labelling of irradiated food is the height of arrogant irresponsibility. This is corporate coercion, pure and simple. Whose interest are you protecting, theirs or ours? Please do the right thing and allow us, the people, to eat what we want, not what you and they, agribusiness, want to force down our throats.

Also, do not insult us with a euphemistic "cold pasteurization." Call a spade a spade, and irradiated food, irradiated.

It should be an inalienable right for us to know what we are eating. PLEASE protect this right.

Sincerely,



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